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For: DESIGN OF POLYKETIDE SYNTHASE  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication dated August 8, 2007 (Paper No. 20070805) ("the OA"), and is in further response to the non-final Office Action of November 30, 2006. A response to the OA was initially due on September 8, 2007. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a five (5) months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to February 8, 2008. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims as amended in light of the remarks presented herein and in Applicants' last response of May 29, 2007, is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.